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BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE

DECISION TO APPROVE A LARGE MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN : NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE

FOR NEIL BRADSHAW'S BRIGHT MINE,

IRON COUNTY, UTAH

NO. M/021/030

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTIONS 21, 22, 27, 28 AND 33, TOWNSHIP 35 SOUTH, RANGE 17 WEST, SLBM, IRON COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve the Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for Neil Bradshaw's Bright Mine. Mining activities will affect portions of the following areas: SE¼ SE¼ of Section 21, SW¼ SW¼ of Section 22, NW¼ of Section 27, E½ E½ of Section 28, NE¼ NE¼ NE¼ of Section 33, Township 35 South, Range 17 West, SLBM, Iron County, Utah.

Neil Bradshaw has submitted a permit application to expand an existing small mining project to a large mining operation. Reclamation bonding has been posted with the Bureau of Land Management for the existing mine disturbances. Full surety will be provided to the Division for the balance of the proposed project disturbance. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 19 acres of federal land.

During Operations:

As quarries are mined out, these areas will be partially backfilled with any reject raw quarried rock together with unmarketable surplus processed material.

After Operations:

Quarry areas will be partially backfilled with both waste rock and surplus/unmarketable material process fines, placement of fines on pit floors, replacement of salvaged topsoil onto the screened fines and broadcast seeding. Quarry highwalls will be reduced to 45 degrees or less either by cutting back the wall, or backfilling against the highwall with waste rock.

Reclamation of processing areas will consist of regrading to conform to the approximate original contours. After the salvaged topsoil is respread, composted manure will be applied, followed by ripping the surface 18" to 24" deep and broadcast seeding with an approved seedmix suited to the postmining land use.

Mr. Bradshaw is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 26 day of Septoul , 2003

STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

January A Brank Lowell P. Braxton Director

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Decision to Approve the Large Mining Notice of Intention for Neil Bradshaw's Bright Mine project, M/021/030 to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the <u>26th</u> day of <u>September</u>, 2003 to:

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